USFS - San Bernardino National Forest

Comments submitted by the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division to individual grant applicants should in no way be construed as a guarantee of successful results for the applicant within the competitive grants process or a commitment of funding. Additionally, the lack of comments by the OHMVR Division to any specific applicant does not ensure successful results for the applicant within the competitive grant process or a commitment of funding.

All final applications will be reviewed by the OHMVR Division. The OHMVR Division may, at its sole discretion, decrease the requested amount and eliminate activities pursuant with regulation Section 4970.07.2 (f)(1-5) and for law enforcement projects, regulation Section 4970.15.3(b)(1-5).

Failure by applicant to respond to any OHMVR Division comment of their preliminary application shall be cause for eliminating that item from the applicant's application.

If multiple proposed projects are requesting funding for the same deliverable, and multiple projects are successful, only one project will receive funding for the deliverable.

For proposed projects requesting grant funding for snow and/or winter activities, Applicants must ensure the activities and/or equipment requested are not and/or cannot be funded by the OHMVR Division Winter Program (commonly referred to as the Snow Grooming Program).

For proposed projects requesting grant funding for the maintenance of roads and/or trails, note that only roads and/or trails that allow "green sticker" off-highway vehicles are allowed to receive grant funding.

General Evaluation Criteria

- #2 Applicant must verify response.
- #3a&b Applicant must verify response.
- #4 Applicant must verify response and provide a cost of their OHV program for the most recent complete fiscal year.
- #5 Applicant must verify response.
- #12a&b Applicant must verify responses.

Ground Operations	G13-02-14-G01
Project Description	

• No comment.

Project Cost Estimate

Staff – "OHV Volunteer Coordinator" (page 8) appear to be duplicate of "OHV volunteer coordinator" (page 10) – Applicant must clarify these line items are not a duplicate.

- Staff "HMP monitor" Activities ("...rakes out unauth. trails, seeds, slashes") not eligible under a Ground Operations project. Applicant must adjust the cost for this line item appropriately.
- Materials / Supplies "Trail maintenance materials" Applicant must provide more detail to justify cost.

Evaluation Criteria

- #2 Explanation does not support "Potential trespass" and "Additional damage to Facilities".
- #4 Applicant must provide the following information:
 - Date(s) of meeting(s) and indicate if stakeholder meeting(s) is different date than publicly noticed meeting(s)
 - How the public/stakeholders meeting(s) were notified and where the meeting(s) were held
 - Names of the stakeholders and how they are stakeholders
- #5 Applicant must clarify the partners listed are organizations and provide the specific project related activities each partner organization will perform for this project. Note, individuals are not eligible as a partner organization.
- #6 Explanation does not support the checked item "Re-routing trails...".

Development - Baldy Mesa	G13-02-14-D01
Trails/Staging Area	
Project Description	

 A – Removal/redesignation of routes non-OHV legal and support for a restoration project by removing 55 miles of routes are not eligible Development activities.
Applicant must adjust Project Description and Project Cost Estimate accordingly.

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff "USFS Fire Crew vehicle mileage" Applicant must provide additional details on how this line item is related to this project.
- Staff & Contracts Wildlife biologist positions appear duplicative. Applicant must provide additional information.

Evaluation Criteria

- #10 Applicant must provide the following information:
 - Date(s) of meeting(s) and indicate if stakeholder meeting(s) is different date than publicly noticed meeting(s).
 - How the public/stakeholders meeting(s) were notified and where the meeting(s) were held.
 - Names of the stakeholders and how they are stakeholders
- #11 Narrative supports one partner. Site Stewards, volunteers, and Individual equestrian volunteers are not partner organizations.